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**I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2008 (SECOND) Regular Session**

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Resolution No. 200

Introduced by:

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RELATIVE TO CONGRATULATING FELISA BORJA GUTIERREZ ON THE OCCASION OF HER INDUCTION INTO THE GUAM EDUCATOR'S HALL OF FAME, PHI DELTA KAPPA, GUAM CHAPTER, 2008; AND RECOGNIZING HER FOR MORE THAN THIRTY SEVEN (37) YEARS OF CONTRIBUTIONS AND LIFELONG DEDICATION TOWARDS THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE ISLAND'S EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM.

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN**
2 **GUÅHAN:**

3 **WHEREAS**, Felisa Borja Gutierrez is the daughter of Ignacio Borja and
4 Matilde Toves Santos, she is married to Atanacio Gutierrez and have six (6)
5 daughters Rebecca, Milessa, Cassandra, Lorretta, Clarissa, and Michele; and

6 **WHEREAS**, with the support of her parents and college scholarships,
7 Felisa was the first from both sides of her family to earn a higher education
8 degree; and

9 **WHEREAS**, Felisa has been a tremendous inspiration to other members

1 of her family to seek higher education, with all of her children having
2 obtained a Bachelor's degree, two of which have earned a Master's degree and
3 one a Juris Doctorate degree; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Felisa attended Wisconsin State College and earned a
5 Bachelor's degree in Education in 1955, and a Master's degree in School
6 Administration and Supervision from the University of Guam in 1973; and

7 **WHEREAS**, after earning her Bachelor's degree, Felisa returned to
8 Guam to begin a long and diverse career in education beginning in 1955 and
9 culminating with her retirement in 1992, a total of thirty seven (37) years of
10 service; and

11 **WHEREAS**, Felisa began her career in education teaching in Guam's
12 high schools from 1955 to 1968; and

13 **WHEREAS**, in addition to her teaching assignments, Felisa taught
14 English as a second language as part of the Department of Education's Adult
15 Basic Education Program; and

16 **WHEREAS**, in 1969, Felisa would move from the classroom to the
17 Department of Education's Personnel Division to work as a teacher placement
18 officer; and

19 **WHEREAS**, in 1972, Felisa became assistant principal at George
20 Washington High School for one year, from 1973 to 1976, she was principal of
21 Barrigada Junior High, in 1977, she returned to the Department of Education
22 central office and became the Associate Superintendent of Personnel Services
23 Division for fifteen (15) years where she would stay until her retirement after
24 37 years of service to the government of Guam working tirelessly to improve

1 our public educational system; and

2 **WHEREAS;** Felisa balanced her professional career with a mirror
3 commitment to civic engagement, serving on many community organizations,
4 she was a Girl Scout Leader in Sinajana from 1955 to 1958, she was a PTA
5 member at Carlos Elementary School from 1956 to 1978 and she served in
6 various school committees at other schools, a member of the University of
7 Guam’s Teacher Training Program Selection Committee, as well a member of
8 the selection committee for the Government of Guam JET Program, a junior
9 level education training program, a member of the International Reading
10 Association from 2005 to present; and

11 **WHEREAS,** in her retired life, Felisa continues to make a difference in
12 our community by volunteering her services as a Pre-GED teacher; and

13 **WHEREAS,** Felisa Borja Gutierrez has been bestowed with the honor of
14 being one of Guam’s premier educators by the Guam Chapter of Phi Delta
15 Kappa and is inducted into the “Guam Educator’s Hall of Fame,” (2008); now,
16 therefore, be it

17 **RESOLVED,** that the Executive Committee of *I Mina’ Bente Nuebi Na*
18 *Lihselaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of *I Lihselaturan Guåhan* and the
19 people of Guam, congratulate Felisa Borja Gutierrez on the occasion of her
20 induction into the Guam Educator’s Hall Fame, Phi Delta Kappa, Guam
21 Chapter, and to recognize her, for her more than thirty seven (37) years of
22 contributions and lifelong dedication towards the improvement of our
23 island’s educational system; and be it further

1 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker, and the Secretary of the Legislature
2 attest to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter
3 transmitted to Mr. Antanacio Gutierrez; to each of her children; to Ms.
4 Barbara Gillman, President of the Guam Educator's Hall of Fame, Phi Delta Kappa,
5 Guam Chapter; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, I *Maga 'lahen Gudhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA
LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE _____ DAY OF May 2008.**

Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.
Speaker

Tina Rose Muna Barnes
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature